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Dear Sir,

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND FOLLOW-UP ON PETITION

#### Information Disclosure Statement

Please find attached a completed form PTO/SB/08A in relation to the above application. Pursuant to the requirements set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97, the attention of the Examiner is invited to the documents listed on form PTO/SB/08A. documents are listed on form PTO/SB/08A as a convenience to the Examiner and to the United States Patent Office. Please note that neither this statement nor the listing of documents on Form PTO/SB/08A shall be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better disclosures exist; neither shall this statement nor the listing of these documents on Form PTO/SB/08A be considered or construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability, or that these documents should be considered as an admission by the Applicant herein that these matters are prior art as to the present application.

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The Applicant believes that, through submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, all attempts have been made in good faith to address all outstanding issues. Thus, entry of this Information Disclosure Statement, accompanying form PTO/SB/08A, into the records of this application is earnestly solicited.

### **Petition**

To date, we have not received any response to the Petition to Make Special (Age of Applicant).

Accordingly, we now ask that the Patent Office review its records in this matter, and pass judgment on the Petition to Mark Special in this application.

As always, if it will expedite prosecution on this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersign, if necessary, at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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